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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Gilbert Levesque, et al.
Serial No.: 09/824,997
Filing Date: April 2, 2001
Group Art Unit: 2157
Examiner: El Hadji Malick Sall
Title: FILTERING NETWORK MANAGEMENT MESSAGES

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Dear Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Advisory Action dated December 16, 2005 and Examiner's Final Office Action dated August 12, 2005.

A check in the amount of \$500.00 is attached herewith to cover the filing fee for this Notice of Appeal. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

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